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Attention:

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Enclosed is an excerpt from our "Guidelines for Management of Topsoil and Overburden". This outlines the tests which we require to be run on overburden samples. The methods are described in the American Society of Agronomy (ASA) Monograph #9. The two volumes are available in the Division Library.

I have also enclosed the saturation extract procedure which is used prior to analysis for some, but not all, of the parameters to be analyzed.

Mine operations sample their overburden thoroughly and may request that numerous samples be run simultaneously. My own request will be small batches of samples.

If your laboratory finds it possible to adopt some of this methodology, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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